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1. It has been observed that, since 15 September 1947, the volume of oil pumped from Zistersdorf has been tripled. Crude oil is pumped from Zistersdorf to Lobau at the rate of about 46 tons an hour. The Lobau station itself has a pumping capacity of about 44 tons an hour, and by reinforcing and expanding the booster stations it is hoped that the flow may be increased to 60 tons. Pumping station No. 2 at Lobau has also been put into commission.
2. Container No. 28 is reported to be leaking at the 3 m. mark. As a result, there is considerable loss of oil, and repairs are difficult because of the depth at which this underground container is located.
3. A central laboratory is being established, and the erection of a high frequency installation (believed to be for RT and RT - the contract for which has already been awarded to Siemens-Schuckert-Werke) has been planned.
4. In order to handle these new developments, an increase in staff up to about 130 will be necessary. The new laboratory staff will include the following:

- 4 chemists
- 5 samplers
- 4 laboratory assistants
- 1 clerk
- 1 stock clerk

5. [redacted] the main pipe line from Zistersdorf to Vienna sprang a leak as the result of the insertion of a baffle. The leak flooded the Lobau pumping station with crude oil to a depth of some 2 m. This incident, together with the increasing number of thefts of tools and machinery and suspected acts of sabotage at Lobau, resulted in a meeting of departmental heads and section foremen to consider what action should be taken

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to put a stop to such incidents. It was decided that a larger number of senior executives would be required to do night duty, and that outside labor would be forbidden to enter the main installations of the plant.

6. On 17 September 1947, the Russians assigned control of the main gates of the Lobau plant to Austrian personnel, retaining only roving patrols within the perimeter of the works. However, it is noteworthy that, since this was done, the barbed wire fence on the Danube side of the works has been breached at a number of points at which access to petroleum is easy. The Russian personnel in the plant (including the Russian director) is deeply involved in illegal smuggling of kerosene.

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